विद्युत मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू) : (क) नेशनल थर्मल पावर कारपोरेशन (एन० टी० पी० सी०) का बिहार के उत्तरी करनपुरा में एक सुपर ताप विद्युत परियोजना (2×500 मे० वा०) स्थापित करने के संबंध में एक प्रस्ताव है।

(ख) जी, नहीं।

(ग) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।

Government incentives to private sector for power generation

1702. DR. BAPU KALDATE : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the 'Indian Express' of January 21, 1993 captioned "Government incentives for private sector power on anvil";

(b) whether it is a fact that Government are keen to provide further incentives to the private sector for power generation and distribution thereof;

(c) whether it is also fact that he had held discussions with the private sector in this regard; if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the response of the private sector has been encouraging; and

(e) if so, what is the extent thereof and what will be its impact on the Central sector ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) With a view to bring in additionality of resources, Government have announced and are implementing a policy of encouraging private sector participation in the power sector. 41 proposals for a capacity addition of 19914.5 MW involving an investment of Rs. 51986.29 crores have been received. Discussions are regularly held with the project proponents regarding specific projects and the policy has been kept under constant review. Capacity addition by the private sector will result in improved power supply for the country as a whole.

Funding of Kayamkulam Thermal Power Project

1703. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have given clearance for the funding of the Kayamkulam Thermal Power station by external agencies;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) by when the project is likely to take off ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) and (b) The Kayamkulam Thermal Power Project Stage-I (2×210 MW) has been posed for financial assistance from the Overseas Economic Cooperation Fund (OECF), Japan for the financial year 1993-94. The project has also been included in the proposals posed to the World Bank under the 'Time Slice' approach.

(c) The project has been included in the Eighth Five Year Plan to yield benefits in the Ninth Plan period.

World Bank Aid to S.E.Bs.

1704. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that electricity tariff differs from state to state in the country;

(b) whether it is also a fact that non-viable tariff structure is one of the causes of poor financial position of the State Electricity Boards;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the World Bank has expressed its willingness to lend money to those S.E.Bs. that are willing to charge rational tariff; and

(d) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The World Bank is reluctant to grant loan assistance to the SEBs which do not earn the statutory minimum surplus

of 3% on net fixed assets. The fixation of tariff for supply of power by the State Electricity Boards is within the jurisdiction of the Boards/State Governments concerned. With a view to improving the overall performance of the SEBs, State Power Ministers have resolved to adopt co efficiency based power tariff, including the minimum agricultural tariff of 50 paise per kwh.

R.E.C.'s. Financing of Project under Energy Conservation Scheme in Meerut

1705. SHRI SOM PAL : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total cost of project whcih was sanctioned and financed by R.E.C. for district Meerut, U.P. in 1989 under Energy Conservation Scheme and whether the project was completed in time;

(b) whether it is also a fact that R.E.C. would have given grant to U.P.S.E.B., if the project had got completed in time, if so, whether the project got completed in time;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and whether extension of time was given to complete the project so that loan to U.P.S.E.B. could be converted into grant;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) what improvement in transmission losses has been there after completion of this project;

(f) whether the equipments installed in this project are functioning well;

(g) whether proper record is being maintained to monitor the equipments installed for this project;

(h) whether the material which was purchased against this project was diverted to other works by U.P.S.E.B.; and

(i) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) to (i) The Rural Electrification Corporation had sanctioned 4 projects for the purpose of conservation of Energy in Network (reduction of line losses, etc.) for the district of Meerut, amounting to a total of Rs. 384.96 lakhs. The entire amount was converted into grant after completion of the project. Although threre was delay in completion of the projects, it was completed within the extended period of the sanction. The projects being new and innovative in nature, the State Electricity Board had taken more time than originally envisaged for procuring certain equipments included in the project.

On evaluation, it has been assessed that savings in line losses effected per annum worked out to 97 lakhs units which is considered to be satisfactory. As per reports received from UPSEB, the equipments have been functioning well. At the time of the evaluation of the projects, proper records of the equipments were being maintained and there was no indication of any equipments meant for the projects having been diverted.

मध्य प्रदेश और उड़ीसा में विद्युत उत्पादन इकाइयां

1706. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव** : क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश और उड़ीसा में 31 जनवरी, 1992 की स्थिति के अनुसार खराब हालत के कारण बन्द पड़ी विद्युत उत्पादन इकाईयों की जिलेवार संख्या कितनी-कितनी है ;

(ख) इन इकाईयों को फिर से चालू करने, इन्हें बदलने और नई तथा अधिक क्षमता वाली इकाईयां स्थापित किए जाने के लिए जिलेवार प्राप्त हुए प्रस्तावों की संख्या कितनी-कितनी है और 31 जनवरी, 1992 तक उन पर क्या कार्यवाही की गई है; और

(ग) इन दोनों राज्यों में विद्युत उत्पादन की कितनी इकाईयां हैं और किन इकाईयों की विद्युत उत्पादन हेतु उपयोगी जीवन अवधि समाप्त हो चुकी है और आगामी तीन वर्षों में किन-किन इकाईयों की जीवन अवधि की निर्धारित सीमा समाप्त हो रही है और उनके लिए किए जाने वाले वैकल्पिक प्रबंधों का ब्यौरा क्या है ?